

In the claims:

Claim 1, line 18 delete "and an equal data size".

Claim 7, line 18 delete "and an equal data size".

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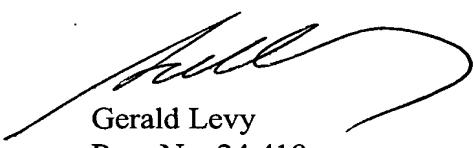
Remarks

The present amendment is submitted prior to any action upon review of the claims.

The examiner's attention is directed, for example, to page 24 of the specification for a disclosure of the data units not necessarily being of equal data size.

An action on the merits is now respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,


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